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**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

Applicants hereby confirm that, on May 24, 2004, agreement was reached to amend claim 15 as stated in the Examiner's Amendment, included with the Notice of Allowance mailed May 27, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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